

Board of Health, Town of Monson

September 22, 2021

Regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:45PM.

Board members present were John (Beau) Schneider, Chairperson, Mary Hull, Elaine Kurasinski, Nakita Sullivan and Larisa Kutrov.

Discussions were held regarding rotating the Chair Position.

Mary made a motion to nominate Nakita Sullivan as Chair for Board of Health (BOH) effective next meeting. Larisa second, all in favor.

Discussions were held to have a Vice-Chair Position for when Chair is on Holiday.

Nakita made a motion to nominate Larisa Kutrov as Vice-Chair to the BOH effective next meeting. Mary second, all in favor.

Meeting minutes from August 19, 2021, are tabled until next meeting.

Monson Memorial Classic (MMC) Update- Lee Williams emailed the Board to see if Monson had specific COVID related guidelines in place for Memorial Hall. Discussions for MMC will be tabled until next meeting.

Monson Police Meet and Greet- Nakita would like to plan the Meet and Greet for the weekend before Halloween, if that doesn't work for the department, they will look at November 6, 3:30pm. They plan on holding it on a Saturday or Sunday. They want to be sure all shifts can enjoy the food.

Swap Shack Volunteer Recognition- Jim Hobbs, the volunteer is very energetic and has gone above and beyond. Elaine and Jim have been able to track items needed and have been able to ask for specific household items. They would like to have enough for someone set up a small household when in need.

Mary made a motion for Elaine to make a certificate of recognition for Jim Hobbs and get back to the Board when Elaine would like to present it. Nakita second, all in favor.

Licensing and Permit Fees- Elaine has been researching what other towns are charging. Renewal applications and fees go out in October/November. There is not enough time to make any changes this close to the end of the year. The Selectboard must approve the fee structure. The goal will be to give as much notice to the public as possible. Elaine would like to discuss sending official looking certificates when issuing permits vs our current permit. Fees will be tabled for further discussion.

Eastern Hampden Shared Public Health Services EHSPHS- Tabled until next meeting.

Trash/Recycling Program Options- Beau would like Republic to hand out educational materials about the Automated Trucks, Carts and Pay as You Throw Programs.

Holistic Industries- The Board of Health received an anonymous package regarding Holistic Industries. This package was sent to several individuals. Mary recommends that the Board ask Jennifer Wolowicz to send a letter to The Center for Cannabis Control (CCC) requesting an emergency inspection at Holistic Industries and request a member from the BOH to accompany the inspection. The town is in the process of creating a marijuana by-law. Mary recommends the Board put together some safety recommendations/regulations in the by-law.

Beau made a motion that the BOH agrees to send Jennifer Wolowicz a request to send a letter to the (CCC) requesting an emergency inspection at Holistic Industries and request a member from the BOH to accompany the inspection. Nakita second, all in favor.

Correspondence- A letter from Jessica Allen, parent of a second grader sent in a letter regarding her daughter's legal rights for mask breaks not being respected while in school and on the school bus.

Next meeting will be held October 6, 2021, at 5:30PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.

Nakita Sullivan, Chairperson

Mary Hull

Elaine Kurasinski

Larisa Kutrov

Beau Schneider

Makita Sullivan, Chairperson

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